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James D. Stevens**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This amendment and response is being filed in reply to the Office Action mailed February 18, 2004, for which a two-month extension of time is requested.

Claims 1-46 were originally filed and claims 47-50 were added as a part of Applicant's response to the first Office Action. Claim 14 is being amended. Accordingly, claims 1-50 remain pending in the application.

A complete claim set including the amendments to the claims is provided beginning on the following page. Remarks in reply to the outstanding rejections follow this claim set.